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AUTOMATED SERVICE CONFIGURATION OF MOBILE RADIO STATION DEVICES

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An apparatus and method is disclosed for configuring a mobile radio station device (e.g., a cellular telephone) when the mobile radio station device or "mobile station" is initially configured for service. The present invention comprises an apparatus and method for downloading initial operational parameters to a mobile station using a radio The initial operational parameters are downloaded a data call connection formed with the A data message, such as a Short Message Service station. (SMS) message, is sent to the mobile station. message requests the mobile station to initiate a data call connection with a node-device that contains (or has access to) the initial operational parameters. The mobile station forms a data call connection with the node-device and receives the initial operational parameters.